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Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 9, 2001, please enter and consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

With this reply, claims 1-15 and 30-32 are pending in the instant application. A Notice of Appeal of the final rejection of the foregoing claims is filed herewith. This submission is believed to place the application in better condition for appeal or allowance. Entry and consideration of the remarks herein are therefore earnestly solicited.